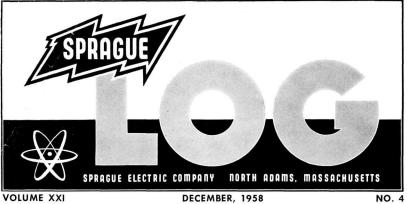


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ROBERT C. SPRAGUE Chairman of the Board



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Dear Friends:

As we approach another Christmas season, it is fitting that we all rejoice with our families and give thanks for our many blessings.

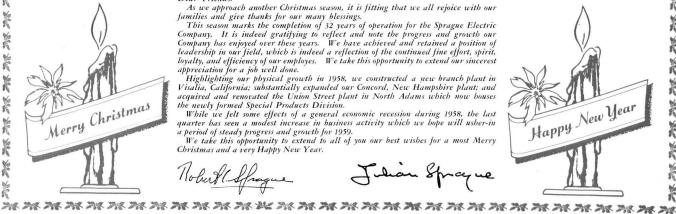
This season marks the completion of 32 years of operation for the Sprague Electric Company. It is indeed gratifying to reflect and note the progress and growth our company has enjoyed over these years. We have achieved and retained a position of leadership in our field, which is indeed a reflection of the continued fine effort, spirit,

loyalty, and efficiency of our employes. We take this opportunity to extend our sincerest appreciation for a job well done.

Highlighting our physical growth in 1958, we constructed a new branch plant in Visalia, California; substantially expanded our Concord, New Hampshire plant; and acquired and renorated the Union Street plant in North Adams which now houses the newly formed Special Products Division.

While we felt some effects of a general economic recession during 1958, the last quarter has seen a modest increase in husiness activity which we hope will usher-in

a period of steady progress and growth for 1959. We take this opportunity to extend to all of you our best wishes for a most Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year.



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1959 SOCIAL SECURITY CHANGES **HIGHER BENEFITS - HIGHER TAXES**

Social Security, which is so important to all of us, has again undergone changes by the Federal Government.

Beginning January 1, 1959 both you and your employer will have to contribute more in Social Security Taxes to help pay for the increased benefits that will also go into effect on that date. In addition, the amount of your earnngs to be counted for Social Security Tax purposes will also be increased.

Recently, both you and your employer have been paying to the Federal Government, $2-\frac{1}{4}\%$ of your total yearly wages up to \$4,200. Beginning January 1, 1959 this rate will be raised to 2-½% and will apply to wages up to \$4,800. Therefore, if you made the maximum of \$4,200 in 1958 you paid \$94.50 and your employer paid \$94.50 in Social Security Taxes for a total of \$189.00.

In 1959, however, again assuming you make the new maximum of \$4,800, you will now contribute \$120.00 and your employer will contribute \$120,00 for a total of \$240 00.

In 1960, the rate will go up another half of 1% for both employer and employe and further increases are sched-uled every three years after that until 1969 when your total tax will be 4-1/2% and your employers will be

These increases in taxes will mean increases in benefits which, in general, will amount to about 7% over the 1958 benefits, some may get slightly more, some slightly less. Persons now retired can look forward to this increase and some people still working in 1960 will receive the 7% increase for themselves and their dependents, on retirement, and for their survivors in the event of their death.

Other benefit features include the raising of the highest monthly wage or salary on which benefits are computed from \$350 to \$400 a month. Additionally, persons who become totally and permanently disabled can draw par-

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Solid Tantalum Pilot Plant Adds William King As Foreman



The Company announced earlier this month the appointment of William King as Foreman of its Solid Tantalum Pilot Plant. He replaces Bernard Gilmore

who served as Foreman until leaving the Company in October of this year.

Mr. King is a native of Williams-town, attended local schools and graduated from Williamstown High School in 1951. He served two years with the U. S. Navy and three years with Cornish Wire Company in Williams-

He joined Sprague Electric as a MethodsEngineer in the Methods and Planning Department in October of

He is married to the former Ann Flanagan of North Adams, and they have two children.

Recent Trends In TV Components

by Alan Smith and Daniel Mannheim

PART II

In the first part of this article(which appeared in the last issue of the Log) the most important recent advances in TV receiver construction were described. In this final part of the article the specific effects of these changes on several of Sprague's component lines will be described in a non-technical manner. Unfortunately, in a short article it is impossible to cover all the Sprague component lines used in television. An attempt will be made to cover those lines which are new since the early days of television or which have undergone the greatest changes in the past ten years.

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NOVEMBER SUGGESTIONS NET \$405 FOR TWELVE EMPLOYES



Envelopes filled with Christmas cheer are opened by three of the top Suggestion Award winners from last month's Suggestion Committee The happy recipients are: Herb Hafner of General Salvage, \$90; Catherine Courtemanche of Film Products, \$50; and George Paquin of Filters, \$75.

The Suggestion Committee met for its November meeting and rewarded ideas submitted by employes through the Suggestion Program with a monthly record high for the year of \$405.00. This amount raised the total dollars awarded for 1958 to \$2600.00.

Leading the pack of award winners for November was Herbert Hafner, Supervisor in the Salvage Depart-ment, who suggested a profitable method of disposal of waste material. The idea netted a neat \$90.00 for the

Close on his heels with a \$75.00 award was George Paquin of Filter Production. George submitted an idea to improve a production technique in the assembling of filter

Awards of \$60.00 and \$50.00 each went to Albert Barriere of the Carpenter Shop and Catherine Courte-manche of Film Products. Al suggested a safety device to be used on a power saw in the Carpenter Shop and

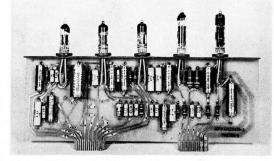
Catherine came up with an idea for a jig to facilitate a soldering operation in her department.

Also a check for \$30.00 was shared by Eugene Baker, Jr. and William Morandi of Brown Street Impregnation who co-authored a suggestion aid in transporting units from Sandia to Impregnation.

Closing out the awards for the month were: Richard Belford of the Machine Shop \$25.00; William Morehouse, Paper Rolling \$25.00; Veta Navarro and Ralph Lesure of Filters who shared \$20.00; Frank Segala of FP Assembly \$15.00; and Al Barbuta of the Machine Shop \$15.00.

The Committee is composed of Francis C. Wilson of Employe & Community Relations as Manager of the Suggestion System Program and includes: Harold Carson, Don Meiklejohn, Leon Pike, Fred Potter, Robert Smith, Robert Teeple and John Washburn.

Where Our Products Go



Sprague Electric produced Vitamen Q Capacitors form a part of plug-in boards for electronic equipment furnished to Convair, Fort Worth, Texas by Melpar, Inc. for use in the USAF B-58 bomber. Manufacturers like Melpar, choose Sprague components for quality, reliability and dependability, which is a result of your fine workmanship.

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Election Over - - Now Action

The Election is over, and the voters of Massachusetts have spoken. But far more significant than the sound of a voice or the expression of an opinion, is the fact that in speaking, the people of Massachusetts have "hired" their government leaders for the next two years. In some cases they have replaced old leaders with new ones. In others, they have retained incumbents. In either case, the point is that the people of Massachusetts have done

In either case, the point is that the people of Massachusetts have done this. And when you examine the outcome of the election—stripped of the heat and furor of the campaign—the process is the same in effect as when anyone hires or fires an employe. For it is literally true that the men and women who will take office on January 1, 1959, work for the people of Massachusetts. In the case of the Massachusetts Senate and House of Representatives, the

In the case of the Massachusetts Senate and House of Representatives, the people will pay each of these individuals \$5,200 a year plus \$500 expenses, plus mileage, for the next two years. Massachusetts pays its legislators better than any other state, with the exception of California and New York. This means that the taxpayers of Massachusetts will pay out over 1.5 million dollars each year in salaries and expenses alone, in return for the services of 40 Senators and 240 Representatives in the Massachusetts Legislature. One and a half million dollars is a lot of money in anyone's language, but it's a bargain if the citizens of Massachusetts get good government.

When you look for a job, about the first thing that happens is an employment interview. You size up your prospective employer, and he tries to size you up. That's what happens in an election campaign. Candidates present their qualifications to the people doing the hiring—the voters of Massachusetts. And then, like any employer, the voters make a decision. In the case of the General Court, 280 Legislators will "report to work" on the first Wednesday in January, 1959.

Normally, when you take a new job, most of your first days are consumed by getting oriented, and learning what you are expected to do. It would be extremely foolish to hire a man and pay him, without telling him what he was hired for. And yet, this is precisely what happens to many Senators and Representatives in the Massachusetts Legislature. Why? Because the people who "hired" him by electing him to office, fail to tell him what to do for Massachusetts.

Next year approximately 4,000 separate pieces of legislation will be filed in the Massachusetts General Court. This means that your Senator and Representative will need to make about 4,000 decisions in your behalf. Each of these bills will have a public hearing and go to a vote before the House of Representatives and/or Senate. During this process, special interest groups will not fail to tell the Senators and Representatives what they want. And so, Legislators agree unanimously that they want and need the help of all of their constituents in making decisions concerning the thousands of bills on which they will vote in 1959.

The voters have "hired" their government leaders. But, by voting, the people of Massachusetts have only taken the *first step*. Now they need to begin the job of telling their representatives what they want and what they don't want, in terms of what they believe will benefit the Commonwealth as a whole. The citizens of Massachusetts, both private and corporate, will pay the bill since taxes are the major source of all State revenue. The citizens elect the men and women who decide how their money will be spent. In this democracy, legislators are paid by the people to spend their money in accordance with their wishes. It's up to us citizens to guide them. Democrat or Republican—they want and need your help.

Management Club Additions For December



Franklin Frantz
— Section Head,
Research and Engineering, joined
Sprague in June
of 1953. He holds
a BA Degree from
Columbia College and a MA
from Columbia

University. Prior to joining Sprague, he was associated with a number of firms in various capacities related to chemical research. He is married to the former Winifred Bransford Bach of New York City and they have four children.

Hollis Hardy — Section Head Research and Engineering joined the Company in February of 1954. Earlier that same year he graduated from R.P.I. in Troy, New York



as an Electrical Engineer. Prior to joining Sprague, he worked for Sylvania in Buffalo, N. Y. He saw service in the Navy and participated in the "Operation Sandstone" atomic tests of 1948. He is married to the former Patricia King of Fairfax, Vermont.



Daniel Manheim
— Section Head,
Research and En,
gineering joined
Sprague in August of 1955. He
is a 1954 graduate of the University of Connecticut and is now

attending Williams College in preparation for his Masters. He is a native of Brooklyn, N. Y.; is married to the former Irene Stone, and they have two childern

Daniel Norton
— Section Head
Research and Engineering, joined
Sprague in June
of 1955. He received a BS from
Antioch College
in 1944 and a
Masters and Doc-



to the form Princeton University in 1948. Prior to joining Sprague, he served with a number of companies in the chemistry field. He is married to the former Rachel Eastman of Springfield, Ohio, and they have three children.



Bela B. Paine— Head of Product Engineering for the Special Products Division, joined Sprague in April of this year. He holds an Electrical Engineers Degree from

Union College and has attended M.I.T. Prior to joining Sprague, he served with various companies and has wide experience in computer component engineering and evaluation. He is married to the former Barbara Olson of Mount Kisco, New York, and they have one child.

Robert Russet
— Section Head,
Purchasing Department joined
Sprague in April
of 1951. He is a
native of this area
a n d attended
local schools and



Tampa College in Tampa, Florida. Prior to joining the Purchasing Department, he served in Material Control and Cost Estimating. He is married to the former Rita Davis of Athens, Tennessee, and they have three children.

Picture Highlights . . .





(Left) A 53 year old landmark comes down as workmen attack the 50,000 gallon water tower in the Marshall Street yard. The Arnold Print Works,who erected the tower, discontinued its use in the latter years of its operation and it has never been used by Sprague Electric. Prior to the flood control program water for fire control purposes was secured from the river. More recently, a 400,000 ground level tank has been installed for that purpose. (Right) Armand Senay (seated) of Filter Research and Engineering and his foreman Lou Vincelette admire a certificate presented by ICS for successful completion of a course in Cost Accounting. Armand completed the $2\frac{1}{2}$ year company sponsored course in less than a year.

RECENT TRENDS

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Tubular Capacitors

For the benefit of those not familiar with these units, the general construction of tubular capacitors may be described as follows: long strips of metal foil and of insulating films about one inch wide and less than a thousandth of an inch thick are wound together to form a capacitor. These rolled cylinders which are about an inch long and from ½ to one inch in diameter are referred to as "sections". After lead wires have been attached to these sections they are inserted in a protective case of some sort. Either before or after they are incased most types of units are impregnated with an insulating fluid.

Recent advances in tubular capacitors have taken the form of modifications of the case used and of the method of bringing out the lead wires. These modifications have been necessary to best adapt these capacitors for insertion in the printed wiring boards mentioned in the first part of this article.

Until the advent of wiring boards almost all tubular capacitors were made with one lead protruding axially out of each end. With this construction each lead must be bent at right angles before it can be inserted into a wiring board. Also, these tubular capacitors cannot easily be mounted vertically as is often desirable to save space on the wiring board. Therefore several new types of tubulars have been developed which provide parallel leads for easier insertion and, in most cases, provision for "standau" mounting.

"stand-up" mounting.

For example, in the Sprague 89P
Autocon* capacitor both leads protrude from the same end of the capacitor. These capacitors are made using
premolded cylindrical plastic cases
closed at one end. After inserting the
section, the opening is filled with one
of Sprague's new liquid thermosetting
(becomes hard upon heating) compounds. Tolerance on the spacing of
the two leads must be held very
closely so these capacitors may be inserted, using automatic equipment.

serted using automatic equipment. Sprague has introduced a new version of the 'Black Beauty*' molded tubular capacitor modified so as to be better adapted for wiring board use. The 'Black Beauty*' line of capacitors is made using a powdered plastic compound and a heated press which molds this powder into a strong smooth solid case surrounding the unit. These units, introduced in the very early days of television before wiring boards, have been made using the axial lead arrangement described above. Both ends were slightly roun-

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Credit Union Declares Dividend

Over 2600 members of the Credit Union will enjoy a 343% annual dividend on all shares outstanding for the six month period ending October 31st. This rate was passed by the shareholders at a meeting held last month and is the second time in as many years it has been paid by the organization.

Election of officers for the coming year was also on the calendar and produced no changes in the slate from last year.

Officers re-elected were: President, Pete Mancuso of Check Inspection; Vice-president, Hóward Sherman of Production Engineering: Treasurer, Robert Armitage of General Accounting; and Assistant Treasurer and Clerk, Loan Durocher of General Accounting

Joan Durocher of General Accounting.
Directors re-elected for a three-year
term were: Tom Dion of Maintenance,
Henry Doane of Personnel, Pete
Horbal of Cost Estimating, Emma
Jobin of Purchasing, and Peter Man-

Incumbent directors not up for reelection this year are: Howard Sherman, Robert Armitage, Joseph O'-Brien of Production Engineering, Marion Caron of Personnel, Harold Twitchell of Tabulating, Walter Lamphier of Research and Engineering, Art VanSteemburg of Sandia, Larry Moreau of Purchasing, Jim Nicol of the Special Products Division, and Joan Durocher.

Names in the News

WILLIAM KIRBY, JR. of Plant Engineering has been certified as a registered architect by the Massachusetts Board of Registration of Architects.

PHILIP TALARICO, shipping foreman, was elected president of the North Adams Kiwanis Club. Also elected as treasurer of the club was ROBERT ARMITAGE of General Accounting.

DR. SIDNEY ROSS of Research and Engineering was a panel speaker at the Pine Cobble PTA Meeting. The panelists discussed "The Arts in a World of Technology".

LEON PODOLSKY, Technical Assistant to the President, was recently named a co-chairman of the Technical Committee of the Capacitor Section by the National Electrical Manufacturers Association.

JAMES DRUMMOND of the Sales Office served as master of ceremonies of a recent meeting of the Williamstown Republican Club.



Departmental News



Hi-Reliability

by Marion Andrews

Marion Andrews had her daughter
Beverly home from Providence Barrington Bible College for Thanks-giving. Beverly brought home her Counselor, Shirley Andrus from War ren, Ohio as her guest. Alice Bonneville had Sister Mary St. Louis of France of the order of the Holy Cross for the Thanksgiving week end. She is a teacher in Manchester, New Hampshire. Alice is also quite busy getting ready for her daughter's wedding, January 27th. I hear that she received some beautiful gifts at her showers . . Mary Blair was given her showers. a surprise baby shower at her new home on December 5th. There were about 40 guests present...Loretta

James' sons, Gary and Billy, danced on December 13th at Drury for the Y.M.C.A. benefit...Judith Dean, daughter of Marie Dean, enlisted in the WACS and is stationed at Fort McClellan, Alabama. She was junior at Drury, a member of the driver's club, and a member of the C.A.P. Northern Berkshire Squadron ... Chris Pugliese's daughter Sandra won first prize singing in Wilmington, and her son Dennis won a dancing contest at the St. Joseph school.

Film Products

by Nina Underwood

We wish to congratulate Catherine Courtmanche on receiving a suggestion award...Seems good to have ertha Moreau back on the job. Mary Bishop and Nina Underwood want to thank the girls and Bill for their birthday dinners. Many calories were enjoyed when two birthday cakes arrived. Mary received a nice surprise package of candy kisses, lollipops, balloons and rattles. Guess who s

Bill Lauth, with wife Peggy and daughter Mary Ellen, spent part of their vacation visiting friends in Sylvis,

Hi-Rel. Test & Ship

by Evelyn Luczynski & Alice Filip

Ethel Brown has joined the ranks of grandmothers. Her new grandson has her beaming with pride...Claire Cantoni enjoyed her vacation recently by staying at home and being a of leisure"...We hope Mary Zito will soon be back with us after recuperating from a recent operation...We are glad to have Evelyn Luczynski back in our midst after a bout with the virus...Teddy Pierce should have more faith in his gas gauge when it registers empty. Maybe next time he'll heed the warning as it isn't much fun hiking to a gas station during your lunch hour, especially while the kiddies and his wife waited patiently for his return...Holiday greetings are extended to all.

Bathtub Assembly

by Jessie Meczywor

With Christmas just around the corner, everyone is hustling around to get their shopping done. Knitting needles and crochet hooks are flying as everyone is trying to finish articles in time to fill the Christmas stockings

. With the holiday season approaching, we are all hoping and wishing that Eleanor Durocher gets well enough to be back with us for Christmas...We would like to extend our "Welcome" to Julia Martin, Beatrice Chilson and Lucy Sanecki who have joined our little group ... Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to

Metal Clad Finish

by W. Wandrei and F. Filip We hope everyone enjoyed their Thanksgiving dinner as much as we did, and now we can all start looking

forward to the holiday season. annual Christmas party for this room was held on December 10 at the Taconic Tea House. As always, a good time was had by all...Ann Lamoreaux and Agnes Vidal enjoyed the vacations recently by just resting. That's our idea of a perfect vacation

Welcome back to Charlie Morse who returned from layoff. It's great to have him back! ... With the be-ginning of all this ice and snow, we certainly envy Dot Tower. Dot and her husband are planning to visit her family in Orlando, Florida soon. We hope they have a very enjoyable trip.

by Joe Pilling

Welcome, Joseph Martell to our. department. We hope you enjoy working here....Loren Estes really department. had a good night bowling when he hit the pins for 339. Let's have some more scores like that. John Murach has joined our bowling team and says he is going to take Loren's place as the star!...We have two frustrated deer hunters with us, Ed Sprague and Mike Becker...Nick Sanzi is very quiet these days. Mike Becker finally took his vacation. Nice going, Mike, three weeks in Florida sounds good. Ed Sprague took his second week of vacation deer hunting in Massachusetts...Loren Estes spent Thanks-giving with his in-laws in Springfield ...When this issue comes out, Howie Isherwood will have a real Pepsodent

smile-the first thing he'll go for will

be a big steak!...My youngest son is back in San Diego after a six-month cruise that took him to Formosa, Ouemov, and many other places in that area. We are very happy to have him back in the states again. Ness Robert's daughter won honorable mention in a beauty contest for babies in this area. She should have won first prize, Ness.. Soon the snow will come hard and fast. Hope it doesn't snow too much, Harry... Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all my co-workers

Metal Clad Assembly

by Lillian Gainer & Ada Harrington A retirement dinner party was held for our former co-worker, Mary Bennett at Taconic Park, Friday, November 14th. Forty-three of her former co-workers attended. Decorations and favors were made by the hostess, Lillian Gainer. Group singing and dancing were enjoyed and the honored guest received gifts of glassware and electrical appliances as well as a corsage. We enjoyed having Catherine "Irish" Scott, Helen LeSage, Ida Katherine Scott Doris Decoteau, Monette, Martha Zeppieri, Margaret Fitzgerald, Alice Maselli, Peggy Moreau, Marge Barry, Marion Andrews, Edna Michalski, Ann Joppich, Marilyn Daub, Claire Cantoni and Beatrice Faustini as well as our regular co-workers. It seems we have a wrongway-Corrigan in our department. Jennie Pincombe traveled all the way up to the Mountainview Restaurant ead of heading for Taconic Park.

Margaret Fitzgerald attended the service award banquet on October 6th and received her 15 year pin. Also receiving 15 year pins were Bertha Dupree and Colleen Phillips. Alice Contois and Susan Pollone were awarded 10 year pins...Edie Noel recently spent a pleasant week Long Island visiting her daughter, Mrs. Burns, and her family...We all wish Edna Michalski enjoyment in her newly located home in Holyoke, Mass...The girls in this department are still following Johnny Allen's athletic career at Holy Cross College He sure is making us proud . . . All of us certainly relished the delicious butterscotch fudge Helen Lefebvre passed around the day before Thanksgiving.

we are all busy with our holiday preparations but we want to take time out to wish each and every one a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



Industrial Oils Final Assembly

Shea by Dorothy Prelude to Christmas

It is the jolly as well as the holly season again. Christmas trees, mistletoe, Christmas decorating, shopping, wrapping gifts, cleaning, cooking,



Sherry Kay Sprague is the daughter of Ted Sprague of Check Inspection and Frances of the Sample Dept

baking special goodies, everybody is so busy. (Especially Mom) But regardless, everyone has a smile and a cheery greeting for each other. That is we all really love the Christmas holidays

But regardless of all the hustle and bustle, we should not forget the real meaning of Christmas. It is the birthday of our Lord. Therefore, it is during this season of giving and receiving, that we should give something to Him who has given His life for us. Whether it be a visit to our church, alms for the needy, or just a little prayer, we should remember it is the feeling in our hearts that really counts.

Well. Eddie Lafleche was quite the fashion plate when he escorted his wife to her room's party. The steak was delicious and the party merry, eh, Ed? Viv Montgomery's son, Peter, is really growing up. He has transferred to St. Joseph's School and has to take the bus both ways... Evelyn Davis is back with us again and on her desk she has the cutest picture of her little son, Danny...Peggy Maynard was working when she suddenly busy looked up to find herself being congratulated by Mr. Fonteyn, Mr. Cronin and Mr. Potter. The occasion was the presentation of her 15 year pin...Mary Provost is back looking chipper than ever.

It isn't everybody that can have their Christmas shopping done in Arizona! Nice to have a sister out there, isn't it Roma?...Lil Babcock and Mary Santelli have been busy with the Christmas Bazaar-which is their good deed for the orphans... girls in the office seem to be complaining about the steam baths get every day . . Ernie Rondeau and Art Morin, the two hunters in our room, tried very hard to bag a deer or bear without success. Better luck in December boys!

Our general supervisor tries very hard to keep the Clorinol room clean. In spite of Eddie Lafleche's bragging it is the cleanest part in the whole

room, it is quite a chore to keep it so . Iack Severin, our check inspector, oing to Indiana for the Christmas holidays... .Vacations this month for Dot Shea, Dot DeSanty, Mary Santelli, Art Morin and Steve Baldyga,

Welcome to Chet Lesniak who h been transferred from Sandia to be our supervisor of the shipping section... Clyde Kipp is kept quite busy... Louis Thomas, our check inspector, seems to be yawning quite a bit lately. We advise more rest, Louis...We are sure Rose Vareschi's daughter, Mary Frances, is having a Merry Christmas. She made out a really big list... Mertie Bishop is back with us and we were pleased to have her daughter, Carol, drop in to visit us during the Thanksgiving holiday.

That's all for now. Keep well and

have fun! Be careful!

Industrial Oil

Cover Assembly

by Isabel Witherow and Ann O'Dell

First we all want to say we are sorry to see Millie Garner and Claire



A real serious young fellow is Gary Lesniak, son of Chet Lesniak, Industrial Oils dept. and Shirley of Metal Clad.



In a hurry to get to bed before Santa comes is Rosemarie Hartman, 4 vear old granddaughter of Camillo Canino of Maintenance.

Robert leave us. We hope it won't be for long...Well, Guido spent most of his weekend moving and we hope he and his family like their new apart-Snow is now really coming ment. fast and we have a few drivers that don't appreciate it. Some of our more experienced drivers think it is just like good old summer driving, right Ann? If you don't believe Ann, ask any of the girls who were in her car lately.

That's all the news for now so we want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and hope Santa makes veryone's wish come true.

Industrial Oil Rolling

by Erminia Sweeney Well this month there isn't much to write about except to say good-by for a little while to the girls who have been laid off. We would also like to extend our sympathy to the family of the late Joseph Unis, and to Janet Trela on her father's death.

Liz Slattery had her children and grandchildren up for the Thanks-giving holiday. We extend Christmas greetings to each and every one!

Clerinal Assembly

by Fran Guyette & Alice Dubuis

Well here we are again already in the merry month of December, time for all Christmas parties that are getting in full swing and the hustle and bustle of Christmas shopping... What is this new fad of Eleanor King and Rose Vallieres making popcorn every Friday night. When are we to get some?...We would really like to know when our Supervisor Casy Strzepek is planning on going to Canada. We are beginning to wonder if you are going or not . . Your reporter would also like to brag a little about the 170 lb. spike horn shot by her husband, Ray Guyette while on a hunting trip in the Taconic Trail area. It's his first one in all the years of hunting, you can imagine how thrilled he was and myself too! ...To all, Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!...Letty Demo, it is rumored, got a little lost in Hartford recently. Too many rights and lefts, Constance Davis is going to Lettv? have a busy December, besides celebrating Christmas, there's going to be a wedding in the family. Have fun, Connie!



Peter Bianchi, son of Joe Bianchi of Industrial Oils, looks very pleased with the world.



"Let's just rock", says Deborah Jones. Her mother, Betty, works in Blue Print and father, Donald, works in Tantalum Formation.



Donna Louise Harvey looks like beautiful baby doll. Her mother, Myrna, works in the Export division



Michael Horsfall is practicing to be the new "Wyatt Earp", while brother, Paul, looks on in wide-eyed amazement. They are the grandchildren of Al Horsfall, Company photographer.

Sample and Small Order

by Celeste Tallarico

Helen Murphy and her husband have returned from a two-week stay in Oakland, California where they visited their son Joseph who has been seriously ill at the U. S. Naval Hospital. Joe is now on the road to re-Madge Taft's husband returned from the hospital and is con-valescing at home...Our pin-up girl, valescing at home...Our pin-up girl, Mary Critelli, had a grand time at the Service Award Banquet where she received a watch in recognition of her 25 years of service with the Company. It will be many years before her co-workers acquire the same...Annette Hinkle and Albina Burdick are busy with their O.G.T. work. There are times when their patience comes to a breaking point and their lips move softly. We wonder what they saying! . . . Alice Beer surprised us with a new hairdo. The style is very short. Easy to take care of, right, Alice?. How domestic can you get? Al Folino is now concentrating on rug making...Frankie boy, how is your sweet tooth? Lucky boy, when you have it, you can't deny it . . . Annette Hinkle was pleasantly surprised by the arrival of her son and daughter for the week end. Mary came home from Our Lady of the Elms College and Bill, who is an Ensign in the Navy came from Rhode Island. Bell Dow, for the first time, spent the Thanks-



Danny Davis is the son of Evelyn of Industrial Oils and William of the Formation Dept.

High Quality Rollers

by Betty DeMers

Ruth Perras is back to work after a week vacation at home just taking life easy-she looks completely rested Ray LaFrance was one of the first lucky hunters to get a deer. A few minutes in the woods near Senecal's farm, and he came out with a deer. At least he said it was a deer, but we still think it was one of Lil's goats!!! Lil Senecal has been getting razzed about the black eye she had two weeks ago. She claims she hit it on the handle of the rolling machine...Hello to Vickie Bissaillion and Ida Hurlbut we haven't seen them in ages... That does it for this month. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Premold Case Assembly

by Florence Clement

News is very scarce with everyone busy now that Christmas is just around the corner. We do hope that everyone had a very good Thanks-giving...Arthur Perra is back from his vacation during which he went hunting. Sorry you didn't have good luck, Art. Don't feel bad, maybe next year will be better! Rose Lancto and Irene Serventi are spending their vacation at home. We hope that Mary Burr will soon be well again and back to work. We all miss her... The Department is proud of Beatrice Gibeau who received her watch for completing twenty-five years of service with the Company, and also of Alma Fox and Irene Serventi who received their service pins...We send our best wishes to everyone for a Very Happy Christmas and a Grand New Year.

Sandia Coolers

by Evelyn Jones

Hi! Does everyone have their Christmas shopping done?...Good luck to Millie Conroy on her new job

Welcome back to all our girls that have been laid off. They all look so fresh and rested it makes the rest of us a little jealous...Sarah Brown is véry happy because her son Stanley is home from the Army...They had a hard time fitting Flo Dupre with her shoes, but she is doing fine now

.We hear Laura Roy got quite a scare when Lydia Spooner appeared at her door on trick or treat night We wish a speedy recovery to Ruby



Milan Francis Trimarchi is the son of Milan of Quality Control and Irene of Beaver St. His godmother is Theresa Burro



"If you won't clap, then I will", says Thomas Sahady, son of Irene of the Tantalum Dept.



"Is Santa really going to come to asks Catherine Hope Pratt. Her father is William of Test



Is Leo Patenaude selling puppies? Anytime anyone goes near his area he asks them if they're looking for a puppy...We hated to say so-long to Sherman and Bernadette Lanois but at least they are still in our room Hello to Lil Fenton and Emily

Rogowski—welcome back! We've heard about absent minded

professors, but we have an absent minded reporter. She's none other than Dot DeGraff. Dot drove her car to work, then waited for her driver to pick her up. She remembered just before her driver came along that her car was in the parking lot. have been a long, long walk back for Dot. . Sgt. Carl Gorman has returned to the USA after spending a year in Labrador. After a fifteen day visit with his mother. Mrs. John R Lilly and other relatives here, he left for a new post in Georgia.

by Shirley Noring
The Sample Department bid a fond

and a cheery "Hello"

farewell to foreman Bob Marriott

Bob Smith, who has taken over our little group. We also say "Hi" to

Ray Wellspeak who joined us at the

same time...Our column has been

appropriately named "Echoes". Any-

one walking through would probably hear these "Echoes" floating around: Bill Burdick—"Come on girls, let's

Ruth Mulcahy—Allright now.
Pat Duncan—Hey, watch that shelf!
Lucy Crandall— Anybody got a

Ray Blair—Today's the day! Helen Burdick—Promises, promises,

Pinky Sherman—Say did ja hear the

Shirley Burnett-Ah-choo-eeeyahah

Nellie Hewitt—Where's my teeth?

Jane Martin—Time for a smoke

Theresa Morin—Come on now!

Ray Dargis—Hiya Honey! Ray Wellspeak—Guess what?

Alice Badorini—Mama mia!

Ceil Biros—See that!
Delia Lilly—How about that?

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Magnetic Samples



Michael (left) and Michele (right) are the twin children of Bill Matt-hews of Maintenance and Loretta of Metallized Papers. We've heard of double trouble but we're sure they are double pleasure.

for surgery in Boston . . . Good luck to Dot Baker's son, Atwood. He has enlisted in the Air Force. Mary Dean is beaming these days. She is our newest grandmother...Merry Christmas to all our absent members. This means you Vickie Bissallion, Ceil Bouchard and Bob Simon. Bob's address is: Pvt. El Robert M. Simon, RA 11357313—Troop A 1st Reconnaissance Squadron—15th Cavalry Regiment, Fort Hood, Texas. Drop him a line, he'll be glad to hear from his old friends...Merry Christmas everyone, and all the best for the New Year.

KVA Stockroom

by Ace Samia Russ Yarter, Harold Brown and Vick Vareschi are our Massachusetts deer hunters this year. We wish them good luck, and hope they don't forget to save us some deer steak...Marie Dargie and her husband and children had a family reunion at their home for the Thanksgiving holiday. Walt Kondej attended the Army and Navy football game in Philadelphia. Army won and, of course, that made Walt very happy...Henry Pepin won his Thanksgiving turkey at the turkey shoot in Cheshire. Lucky fellow!!... By the time this issue of the Log comes off the press, it will be close to Christmas. I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a very Happy New Year

General Salvage

by Herbert Hafner

The Nimrods in this department have not had the best luck during the Vermont deer season. Joseph Danforth was the only person to get a deer, a good sized one at that! William Cooper hunted during his vacano luck . . . William Collier is at the North Adams Hospital for treat-ments for his back. We all hope he returns soon.

UNION STREET Echoes

Magnetic Finishing

by Helen Burdick About the time you read this issue

Hubbard's husband who is preparing of the Log, the holidays will be here so a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year to all... Did you know that Betty Barcomb started to work one morning with two dolls in her arms? Were you going to play house, Betty? It almost caused a traffic jam when it was noticed what she had in her arms...Ronnie Dean moved. Before his dad could get their washer hooked up, Ronnie was going to be helpful so he bought his mother a scrubbing boardthat's how the story goes. Didn't you know they have laundries and a laundermat in town, Ron? He's a good kid just the same. He cooked us a nice dinner one day and it was very

> Will some one please mark the aisles so Jennie Matranga can find her work area? We will have to draw her a map....Congratulations to Helen and John Murphy on the birth of a granddaughter, Nancy Elizabeth, who arrived October 30th...Also congratulations to Pinky and Harriet Sherman on the birth of their first grandchild, Jeffery Leroy, who arrived lst...One morning re-November cently if you were coming from Clarksburg way, you probably saw Nellie Hewitt walking along to work. She wasn't doing it for pleasure but because of necessity. Her driver didn't show up! Everyone who knew her just waved and rode right along. Poor Nellie wasn't the same old Nellie for a few days. Next time, Nellie, stand in the middle of the road and they will have to stop or run over you.



It takes a really brave fellow to have such a happy smile while confined to the hospital. The brave fellow is Gary Pratt, son of Jennie Thompson.



Cynthia and Barbara Giusti are daughters of Geraldine Giusti of the Sandia Dept., Brown St.

Bill Burdick's cat "Rusty" has returned home from the veterinarian's and is recuperating nicely

Pulse Transformer Magnetic Winding

by "Stretch" and "Jean"

With everyone in the holiday spirit, some of our girls believe in traveling to yonder parts. Cora toured to Pennsylvania and Cleveland, Ohio for Thanksgiving. Mary Carnohan spent a week's vacation in New York City. Esther Sullivan spent a well-earned vacation at home...We all send get well wishes to Hazel and Rena Dixon Rose LeBeau is "sitting on top of the world" after receiving her driver's license. Well, Al, you won't have so many errands to do now...That's all for now, so Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

Magnetic Assembly

by Dot DeGraff NOW HEAR THIS: BOB MARRIOTT

the day after Thanksgiving-"Gee, but I'm hungry." PEG ROBERTS—"I feel like a restless gun". How's that, Sunny Cairns—wearing furlined boots, two sweaters, scarf, etc. "Boy, am I cold!" BETTY KLEINER— The Bear Went Over the Mountain—"Not that one—my husband got him. See you later folks—in furs, that is." Helen Drobiak—transferring into the department and out again in one week— utes More'". "Give me 'Five Min-We enjoyed meeting you Helen and hope you'll be back soon...Welcome back to Barbara Roy and Cora Morandi. To the new girls, Louise Therrien, Irene Testa, Jane Dobbert and Betty Cota—Welcome! We were all glad to see Hazel Bass back in the department after being hospitalized.

If it's last minute shopping you have to do for Christmas see Alice Green. By now she must know what stores are open evenings after being unsuccessful on her first two tries. From our department to yours, want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.



Sprague International Ltd.

by Suzette Lemieux Dear Santa:

Please remember Mom and Dad and the family, and please be very good to the whole world, including of course these very special "peoples" because of their proper behavior this past year and last month in particular:

William Adams for his amazing patience, for example when bravely fighting the 8-inch snowstorm of November 3, or starting the clock that's always stopped, etc....Beverly Sherman for her perseverance in chatting in Spanish, with everyone

including her Angora cat, Anastasia ...Nancy Kelly for supporting sports in general, and especially the victor-

ious Williams football team at Amherst... Jean Gardzina, for remaining very humble despite her lovely daugh ter Cathy's winning an honorable mention in a recent nation-wide baby (photograph) contest. Ken Haskins for braving the bitter cold in the fashion of all great hunters, optimistic to the end that Massachusetts game would be more visible than its Vermont cousins . . . Myrna Harvey for her sheer fortitude in returning to the madhouse.

Bertha Richard for having encour-aged her son, Mahlon, to be worthy of receiving the "Eagle Scout Award" and also for being one of the only two mothers in town to be the proud possessors of two Eagle pins (with prospects for No. 3, yet)...George Ferran for tearing himself from this delightful cold icy country for a week of warm Mexican climate...Shirley Roberts for daring to present her views to the world in this column last month-(completely painless, as I had promised)... Barbara Putthoff for that cheerful humming that warns all high-strung concentrators of her approach.

Marilyn LoPresto who is still managing to smile as the "packing list" piles grow. . . Sandie Segala for her uncanny talent in handling the Ditto machine with never a telltale smudge, to the consternation of her fellow operators...Rose Richard for fighting off those closing eyelids better than anyone I know...Marie Roy for becoming the proud mother of a Marilyn Soha for being a VIP at Becker Junior College and yours truly, for having found that rising at 4:00 a.m. is painless (once in a great while) when it's to console a little helpless Pishnickle(Greek for nephew).

o good-bye now, Santa; we'll be looking for you..

you . . . Sincerely, S.

Dry Rolling and Western Electric

by Nancy Harvey

Flash No. 1: Music Notes

A few months ago, we advised you watch with interest the future doing of Ronnie Richardello, son of Mary and Nick. Now we have more news for you in regard to Ronnie's progress. Each year, in New York City, a championship Accordion Contest is held. Last year Ronnic came in second. Another such contest was held on Sunday, November 23rd at the New York Trade School Building in New York, Ronnie and Robert Guerina of Pittsfield played a duet and again finished in second place, The boys were presented a trophy which will be placed in the studio of their teacher. Both boys are students at the Mennin School of Music in Pittsfield, and Ronnie is currently attending the Dacrow School for Boys in Lebanon, New York. Let's watch this boy! Flash No. 2: Welcome

We welcome back Helena Zawislak, Shirley Adams, and Margaret Powell



A handsome Drury senior Joseph Girardi, Jr., son of Rita Girardi of Dry Rolling.



Louis E. Floriani, Jr., son of Louis of Maintenance, soldier of the month in October for his outfit in Germany



Robert Strzypek is the nephew of Ceil Magnifico of the Tantalum Dept.

who have been away much too long. Flash No. 3: Famous Sayings Mary Esposito-"I can't get a thing done. I'm busy baby sitting.

Zita Pedrin-"What do you mean, I'm always yacking?"

Gladys Costello—"Boy, am I tired! Wish I could come into money." Dorsey King—"A guy's better off dead."

Ed Suthers-"Sure! Go ahead and read my paper. I only buy it!" Opal Edwards—"Gee, it's cold in here.

Mary Scott-"Is it me-or is it cold in here?

Marion Caron—"I used to do all those things—but no more!" Clara Shakar—"I can't! I'm bowling

tonight." Vishy Wisniowski—"I'm with Clara.
I'm bowling too."
That does it for this time, but we'll

see you next time and until then re-member this: "The quarrel with matrimony is not with the institution. It's the personnel."

Maintenance

by Dorothy Buzzell

Our Vermont hunters didn't have much luck this year although Hugo Maroni, who works in the Electric Shop did bag a 4 point 135 lb. deer and Vernon Shippee, who works in the Boiler House at Beaver Street shot a 3 point 125 lb. deer.

Congratulations to Robert Perry on his marriage to Helen Oakes. Bob works in the Pipe Shop. Several of us from the Maintenance Department attended the wedding and reception and an enjoyable time was had by all . Al Barriere who works in the Carpenter Shop is sporting a new Plymouth...Frank Connors of the Millwright Shop and Joseph Filiault of the Electric Shop are each taking one week's vacation this month... Good luck to all the hunters who are going out in Massachusetts this month. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year everyone!

Advertising

by Janice Harriman Once again a year has passed The holidays are here at last Reaching out with grasping hooks Dipping into our pocketbooks. This year, we cry, we've got to cut

down There's not enough dough to go around.

Then we see just the thing To buy for Auntie and Uncle Jim.

We hurry and scurry from shop to

shop Buying and spending-will it never

stop? But then Christmas morn finally dawns

And all our hearts are filled with song To see all those faces, shining and bright

Filled with the Christmas spirit light. As each gift is opened we silently pray Thanking our Lord for the chance to

Merry Christmas and a Happy New

And thank you, Lord, for allowing us

Peter Letourneau is the son of Roger Letourneau of Beaver St.

May I take this opportunity to wish all of my fellow workers and friends a very prosperous New Year. Writing this column has been a pleasure and the encouragement I have received from the Advertising Gang has been very much appreciated.

Electronic Test **Equipment Lab**

by Elizabeth Bramble
Dick Pomerance has returned to his studies at Northeastern after working with us for 31/2 months. It was nice having you with us and we wish you luck in your studies. We welcome two newcomers, Bob Herzig and Carl Guettler to our Department

Check Inspection

by Betty Jangrow
The Check Inspection personnel extend Holiday Greeting to All!

Yes, that was a nice buck that Al Jangrow bagged in Vermont during the Vermont deer season and his most important admirers were his three grandsons Allen, Paul, and Jamie Now they want grandpa to bring home a bear . The cute little "Miss" of Check Inspection this year is the Pride and Joy of Ted Sprague, our co-worker. Her mommy works in the Sample Dept.

Every Monday at the Drury Evening School many Sprague employes are taking advantage of the different opportunities given them to further their education. This year the Effective Speaking class is more than three quarters men...Anyone wishing to join for the remainder of the school may do so by registering on January 5, 1959. The attendance this year shows an increase over all previous vears.

Donald Langer was one of the lucky hunters on the first day of deer season by bringing home a black bear weighing one hundred pounds.

F. P. Ovens and Cover Assembly

by Marguerite Daub & Edith Fields

If we don't see Clarence Scrivens after the Christmas week end, we will know that celebrating a 47th wedding anniversary and Christmas was too much for him. He has ten children, twenty-six grandchildren, and eleven great grandchildren—that's quite a family when they all get together! together! Congratulations, Scrive...Gil Harris enjoyed his vacation deer hunting this year. He didn't have any luck, so we didn't get a venison dinner as expected. Better luck next year, Gil. Also enjoying a vacation at present is Prosper Lussier. Doris Harris, Varuzzo and Austin Rogge will have their vacation before the next issue is printed. Have a nice rest folks, you've earned it...Josephine Gaspardi is working the day shift again after being on nights. She is racking this time, it's good to see you with us again, Jo. Marie Rohane has been out for some time. We hope she will be well enough to be with us soon...We wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.



Bobby Noring is the 10 year old son of Shirley Noring of Magnetic Sample.

Shipping

by Cecile Trudeau

Congratulations to Ann Tremblay and Herbert Brown who received their service award pins for 10 years and 5 years respectively . . . Betty O'Dell and family have purchased a beautiful trailer and they are now living in Hinsdale...We have a few deer hunters in this department—Stanley Pasierbiak, Al Bourdon and Norman Davignon. At this writing, we have not yet received any reports from

Cecile Trudeau went to New York for her vacation. She had a wonderful time. Norman Davignon enjoyed a week's vacation hunting in Vermont. Better luck next year, Norm...Welcome back to work, Myrna Harvey. Myrna works in the Export Office.

Tantalum

by Dolores Shakar Everyone has a secret wish—an ideal

To be President some day; or finally given that "Academy Award" role Having ambition, to accomplish your feat is sublime, I've heard

All I want is, one year, to finish my Christmas Shopping by December 23rd.

Other women seem to accomplish it with no strain at all

They search out bargain counters and manage to recall What will be suitable for Aunt Ethel

or Uncle Pete And are tying holly on bundles while I'm still gasping in the August heat.

Thanksgiving has come and gone, the

turkey, a savory thought Then I grasp the fact that it's time,

once more, to be caught In the struggle, as it always is, to storm the stores for gifts

While outside, the walks are filled with high snow drifts.

But no matter how good my intentions have been Every season finds me unprepared and

late again The trouble with Christmas is that it comes so soon

Why, only yesterday, Bing Crosby sang that "White Christmas" tune!

It seems I just put away the stand for the Christmas tree



These two characters spent Halloween night haunting houses. Do you know who they are?



Eileen Sahady is the daughter of Irene Sahady of Tantalum Dept.

And finished writing the greeting cards from me

I've scarcely taken down the mistletoe from the hallway door

It can't be time to put it up once more!!

What shall I be doing the day before Christmas this year?

While better women sit serenely in their parlors laughing with cheer in ribbon, waist-deep in tissue. I'll be

Wrapping little gifts to put 'neath the

I'll be sending out for stamps, looking up names in my address book But shall I feel as harried as I look? No, for there'll be bells ringing from every steeple

Angels in windows and gay laughter from all the people.

Everything, so merry and gleaming bright

The white snow glistening in the clear moonlight And in the manger, the tiny baby

sleeps in his bed With the star from the East shining

over his head.

Voices of children will be heard in the Homes decorated with Christmas

green everywhere People will solemnly pray by the

church altar rails Who can complain about Christmas when it's white and ancient magic

Really, Christmas is the time to pray That we may have peace in this world some day

To worship and laugh without any fear

That all may have a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Dry Tubular Finish

never fails!

by Marjorie Hauptfleisch

Mary Vienotte, Mary Boschetti and Bernard Barbeau are having the last two weeks of December off, which ends the vacations for another year We were sorry to have Anne Palmer leave us due to a layoff. We hope that she will be back with us soon wish a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone.



James and Jane are the happy children of Ace Samia of Brown St. and Alice of Quality Control.

Heat Seal

by June Rock

Thanksgiving has come and gone. From all reports a nice time was had by all. . . Belated anniversary greetings to Ken Suprenant and his wife, "Toots" on their fourth wedding anniversary. Congratulations from all of us... Julia Cirillo spent her vaca-tion in New York City visiting her daughter Eleanor and granddaughters and also journeyed to Long Island for a visit with her daughter, Catherine

Agnes Jolin always enjoys a visit from her daughter and grandchildren and so she especially enjoyed Thanksgiving as they were her guests for the day...Cecile Trudeau spent her vacation in New York City, enjoying the sights and also doing some shopping and commented that the only trouble with vacations was "they end too soon"

W. E. Misc. Dry's (Test and Ship)

by Emily Włodyka

Our heartiest congratulations to Maggie Taft, who had the unique distinction of becoming a grandma twice in less than 24 hours. A son was born to Mr. & Mrs. John Taft, November 2nd (their 4th) and a daughter was born to Mr. & Mrs. William Taft, Jr. November 3rd Congratulations also to Mr. & Mrs. Augustino Jammallo on the birth of a daughter, Katherine Ann, on November 7th. Now that you have one of each, you must be pretty happy "Gus"!... Last month we reported on a "Hair Stylist", this month we will report on a "seamstress", which is none other than Marie Paesler. Her favorite project is making skirts, and she has made quite a number of them in the past. They're lovely! We wonder when she is ever going to start taking orders??...Say Rose Coyne! How about giving us the recipe for that certain mocha concoction (ha, ha) you dreamed ap!!... One time the fad used to be "Stanley Brush Parties", now it's "Dutch Maid Clothes Parties". A number of girls have had parties or attended them and report they are very satisfied with the merchandise . . . A Happy Holiday Season to all and to all Lots of Good Cheer!

Small Order

by Eloise Brown Hi Folks, hope you had a very happy Thanksgiving. We always look forward to it, but it certainly is a very uncomfortable feeling when one eats too much. Regardless, it still is a very good day to count our blessings. Theresa Pedercini spent the holiday in Brockton and attended the wedding of her cousin. Doris Horbal and her family spent Thanksgiving with relatives in Connecticut. If you are wondering why Doris is going around with a big smile on her face, it's because her son has returned home from Germany after completing two years in the Army. By the way, you single girls will be interested to know that he also brought home a brand new Volkswagon convertible...Our friend Don Arigoni is out on sick leave re-



Ralph Romeo, another Drury senior, is the son of Betty Romeo of the Metal Clad Assembly.

covering from his recent accident. We will be well and back with us soon. We would also like to wish Henry Levesque a speedy recovery. We miss his cheerful good morning and pleasant smile . . . Everyone is now getting the Christmas spirit and are dashing out at noon to select gifts. I'm one of those last minute shoppers myself. It wouldn't seem like Christmas if I weren't in a crowd being pushed around and trying to edge my way up to a counter to be waited on. Merry Christmas everyone. See vou next month.

Retail Sales

by Barbara King

Casimer Gliwski and his wife celebrated their third anniversary on Thanksgiving day. A big family dinner was held at their home... Welcome to the new girls in the department— Lorraine Wittig, Rita Brooks, Connie Gordon and Gina Cirullo and also Wally Crouse. Yours truly is proud of her son, Vincent Michael, who recently made Tenderfoot in his Boy Scout troop 62 of Briggsville.

Everyone had a wonderful time at our Christmas party held at Taconic Park. Games and dancing were enjoyed. Featured during the evening was a grab bag. A gift was presented to Gert Pigeon who arranged the affair. The gift was given to her by her grateful co-workers.

Filter

by Ruth Hacking

Congratulations to George Paquin who recently received a suggestion award in the amount of \$75, his third award. Veto Navarro also received another suggestion award...We are glad to know that Rose Lazarczyk's son John is improving from his illness John is doing his school work at home

and is doing very well with his lessons. Tony Falco and his family should be cozy and warm this winter. Tony has just installed a new furnace in home...George Paquin will be installed this month as secretary of the Lafayette Club. This is his twentythird term. Congratulations again,

Formation

by Harry Trombley

Tony Tovani, as usual, got his annual deer—a 120 pound spikehorn Iim Shea, Lunderstand, is at St. Luke's Hospital recovering from sur-.Fred Boschetti is still going strong after his seventy-sixth birthday Charlie Jordan says it is sure good to drive a car again.

Sample Development

by Julia Desrosiers Dorothy Belanger and Yvette Dubois enjoyed one week of their vacation recently...Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Dubois and Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Konopka on their 29th anniversaries. We hope both couples will celebrate many .Congratulations also go to Mrs. Harriet Sherman on the birth of grandson born on November 3rd. We are happy to hear that baby and parents are doing fine...Jean Wheeler and Yvette Dubois received their ten-year service pins.

F. P. Assembly

by Grace McConnell

Congratulations to Hazel Russell who has a new grandson born to Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Russell of Dalton on November 15th...Marion Sherman, Dorothy Lewis, Johanna Kayser, Jack and Millie Faustini and Minnie Hamlin attended the Roast Beef supper put on by the Holy Name Society in Adams. A cocktail party

was held at Minnie's home preceding Cooper supper. Rita Thanksgiving week off. She was very busy getting ready for her dinner and company. Her husband's brother and family came from Providence, Rhode Island to spend the week end with them...We wish to welcome Rachel Davis to our Department, also Mae Reardon who worked with us about five years ago...Emma Vivori spent a pleasant week end with her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Gassett, Jr., in East Hartford, Connecticut...Robert Cook, son of Roy and Margaret Cook attended the 4-H State Congress in Boston on November 27 and 28. Robert is very active in 4-H work...Irene Pratt held a birthday party in honor of her daughter, Marilyn on November 21st. It was her fourth birthday.

Quality Control

by Ella M. Dunsmore

At least the deer hunters are happy to see the snow for the start of the season. Joe Cusson got a nice sevenpointer in Vermont, this is his tenth Henry Gamari, Jr., is back again after completing two years of service in the Army ... Alexander Murray, Bob Maynard and Bob Herzig have been transferred to other departments.

Medical Department

by Etta Owen We were very pleased to receive a letter, recently, from Mr. Edmund Whitten, former editor of the LOG.

Mr. Whitten guided us thru the critical growing years and was largely responsible for the successful paper the LOG is to-day.

"Ed" sends regards to all his friends at Sprague.

Thanks for remembering us, Mr. Whitten, and if you are traveling in the Berkshires, do stop in and see us.

Introducing . . . "Miss December"



Lovely Elaine Daunais of Sprague Products invades Cramer's Child-World on Eagle Street to select a few toys for the children her Christmas list. We hope Elaine is aware that adults invariably select toys for children that they unconsciously want for them-Elaine is a 1958 graduate of Adams High School and is very interested in ballet.

Former Employes of Depts. 645-655 Hold Reunion



by: Retired Reporter: Jennie Garceau

A reunion was held at the Mountain View Restaurant by a group of 42 former co-workers of the departments 655 and 645. The tables were beautifully decorated and a fortune awaited each one, all of which we hope are bound to come true;

After the dinner chit-chats were in order helping to bring us up-to-date on happenings in the past. mothers present were: Vi Leveque, Edna Mahar, Ida Tovani, Moreau. Clara Catotti, Delphina Regaioli, Elizabeth Hamilton, Emmy Lescarbeau, Marie (Flo) Dean, Olive Crandall, Lil Trombley, Yvonne Ross Amelia Couture, Betty Berger, Maude Crews, Jeannette Shambeau, Lil Goff. Vi Leveque could boast of the most grandchildren, 14 in all; and Lil Goff, the newest grandchild, only one month old. Agnes LaRoche was the newest mother. Needless to mention all had pictures to show around.

We were all greatly surprised and pleased to have among us, our former reporter Frances Kordana of Adams, who is now serving as a nurse at Pitts-field General Hospital, and she brought along as her chauffeur for the evening another co-worker of ours. Thelma Sherman.

Mary Marra entertained us with delightful monologues and Peggy Daub gave us the latest news of her friend, Chief White Cloud.

Esther Poplaski and Stacia Menty

still displayed their cheery smiles Vi Bona, Norma Turgeon, Evelyn Mary Maselli, Bernadette Jones, Norma Skorupski, Theresa Estes and Marlene Bush were busy feeding the juke box, their favorites being Polish hops.

Loretta Millette requested autographs after the pictures were taken, perhaps in the hope that someone might win the Oscar.

Rose Mazza. Could you be the Goldilocks at Brown Street?

Doris Gaudette, Laura Benoit, Rowett, Ida Chilson, Rita DiSanti and myself were gathering a few facts and more news to bring you up to date.

Missing from the party were Madeline Boner and Jane Gross as the nasty old bug had them in his clutches.

Cards were signed by all and sent George Ross, Emma Dube, and May Haas. The attendance was won by Clara Catotti and all voted to have another party again next year. My thanks to Rita, Mary & Peggy for their kind help.

The Concord Corner BY DORIS SHAW

Around the Plant We had some very distinguished Jan. guests November 10th from the Army Signal Corps, Washington, D. C., including Brig. Gen. R. T. Nelson, Lt. Gen. J. D. O'Connell, Gen. H. L. Scofield, Maj. J. G. Pelland, Col. O. L. Bell, Lt. Col. W. M. Sheppard and Mr. P. A. Prince. Also, New Hampshire Sen. Styles Bridges visited our plant on December 2nd . . . Gloria Symonds was guest of honor at a baby shower given at the China Dragon by friends in the Transistor Department... Plans and preparations are in progress for our Christmas Party which is going to be held at the New Hampshire Highway Hotel, December 20th . . . Glen Slatunas was a lucky deer hunter the first day of the John Puppolo, Frank Trask, and Jesse season bagging his first deer, an 85 Ault as score keeper...Natalic Colby pound buck. He is the 16 year old and hubby Billy are hoping to be Department... Congratulations to the New Year, Good Luck...We Don Foy on the announcement of his hope that Goldie Moody and hubby engagement . . . Tom Leary, Engineer, had a wonderful vacation in Monronheaded up the Christmas program for ia, California...Good Luck to Peggy the Santa Claus parade. The Concord Carr—hit the Jackpot next time... children were thrilled to see Santa Barbara Muldowney and Marlene that Frank Titcomb. Engineer, has girls because their hubby's will be recently purchased a new home in home for the holidays....Congratula-Hopkinton. We hope it will hold tions were rushed too early for Joe many years of happiness for you, Fournier, we hope by the end of this Frank...Welcome to Gloria Foote month they will be in order...We Frank. Welcome to Gloria Foote month they will be in order. ..We who just returned from Alaska to welcome Jenny Stevens, Gladys Wilawait the arrival of the stork. She cott, Sandra Mancini, Mary Gadwah,

ember 19th.

January Birthdays

Jacquelyn Sweeney

Dean Jordan Barbara Seldon

Emily Gasper Edna Woodman

Nancy Pelissier

Lorraine Bouchard

Laurette Gendron

18 Mary Mills

Ruby Towle 25 Elinor McManus

Elizabeth Landry

25 Laura Palmer

26 Don Foy

26 Ann Towle Beatrice McManus 28 30 Alfred Bickford son of Charlotte Slatunas, Transistor moved into their newly built home for riding in his sleigh...We understand Deno are two happy and blasting worked in the Transistor Department Evelyn Gallagher, Jane Degreenia. November 7, M before leaving for Alaska last May... Bertha Young, Diane Thurston, Barb-The members of the softball team had ara Saltmarch, Priscilla Pelletier, November 20, their annual banquet at the New Betty McGown, Lois Flanders, and Philbrick, Son Hampshire Highway Hotel on Nov-Sandra Hildreth to the Transistor Tom Leary was the Department; Emily Gasper, Lena manager of the team with the follow- Lamy, Betty Landry, Charlotte Wat- FOR SALE: Box Spring and Mating players: Don Anderson, Andy terson, Ruby Towle, Beverly Thi-Ansaldo, Dave Cates, Paul Dlubac, beault to the Tantalum Department; Ken Davis, Dick Ehrhardt, Joe Four- Alice Decker to the Office; Frank Jefnier, Ron Giles, Lloyd Palmer, John fers to the Maintenance Department; Norwich, Dick Perry, Bob Philbrick, and Al Edson to the Machine Shop. Or inquire at home after 6:00 p.m.

GLORIA SYMONDS LILY WOLFENDEN

December Birthdays

Gloria Symonds

Richard Nelson Diane Thurston

BLANCHE PRESCOTT

Margaret Fanny

Sandra Duclos

Catherine Ansaldo

Constance Nepveu

Gary Philbrick

Glenna Cyr

Janet Leahy

24 Louise Frank

Lynn Carangio

99 Irene Nichols

29 Kenneth Davis

Bowling Standings Women: Men:

1st Oucenpins 1st Team IV 2nd Gutterballs 2nd Team I 3rd Lucky Strikes 3rd Team III 4th Dejae's 4th Team II 5th Floppers 6th Alley Cats

Anniversaries

December 6, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Thurston December 9, Mr. & Mrs. Basil Woods, 6th December 23, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Slatunas, 19th December 23, Mr. & Mrs. Frank Trask, 2nd

Births

October 31, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Brusa, Daughter

November 7, Mr. & Mrs. Andrew

November 20, Mr. & Mrs. Gary Philbrick, Son

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RECENT TRENDS

ded. The recent modification for wiring board use consists of making one end absolutely flat. The unit can then be "stood-up" on this end on the wiring board. The lead from the other end may then be bent over and brought down the side of the unit and inserted in the board near the other

A third new type of capacitor now in pilot plant production, unlike the other two types just discussed, has radial leads. That is, each lead is per-pendicular to the cylindrical body of the capacitor. This capacitor is made using a Sprague developed solid impregnant. This impregnant, a liquid when first put in the unit, is subsequently hardened by heating. Then, since the impregnant is no longer liquid and since the leads are radial, this construction can be coated by dipping in a thermosetting plastic This dipped construction makes possible a low cost capacitor of good electrical characteristics. Ceramic Printed Circuits

One entirely new concept in components which has come into consumer electronic products since the second World War is the ceramic printed circuit (which, incidentally, should not be confused with the printed wiring boards mentioned previously).

These printed circuits consist of small ceramic (i.e. a material made from a fired clay somewhat like that used for pottery) plates on which are deposited by a "printing" process small strips of carbon and silver. After proper processing these silver and carbon paths become permanently bonded to the ceramic base plate The carbon paths take the place of resistors and the silver paths become capacitors. After the leads are attached, these ceramic plates are then coated with a plastic to protect them.

It is possible to print in this manner a great number of components on a single ceramic plate. The largest plate commonly used in television is about 1½" by 1" and 1/32 of an inch thick. A plate this size may have typically as many as nine leads and contain the equivalent of ten separate resistors and capacitors. Thus since one plate does the job of many in-dividual components, these ceramic printed circuits represent a saving to the TV manufacturer both in component cost and also in wiring time. Sprague's printed circuits carry the trademark Bulplates*.

Only a few of the recent develop-

ments in TV components could be indicated above. We must expect many further changes. For manufacturers such as Sprague this will mean new

Anniversaries for January

1, Mr. & Mrs. William B. Andrews, 6, Mr. & Mrs. Faustino Balardini, 7, Mr. & Mrs. George Paquin, 13th 8, Mr. & Mrs. Angelo Mazza, 9th 12, Mr. & Mrs. Edward Konopka, 8th 14, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Kozlowski 17, Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Rondeau, 5th

25, Mr. & Mrs. Charles McCann, Jr. 26, Mr. & Mrs. John Pratt, 7th 26, Mr. & Mrs. Richard Belford, 2nd 29, Mr. & Mrs. William Delisle, 4th

Baby Talk . . .

Oct. 28, Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Malonry, daughter Oct. 29, Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Carlson,

daughter Oct. 30, Mr. & Mrs. Benedict

Rosen, son Oct. 30, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Krze-

minski, daughter Nov. 2, Mr. & Mrs. Henry Ells-

Nov. 7, Mr. and Mrs. Augustino

Jammallo, daughter Nov. 9, Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence

Nov. 18, Mr. & Mrs. Aldem Trottier, daughter

Nov. 24, Mr. Boisjolie, daughter 24, Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Nov. 25, Mr. & Mrs. Anthony J.

Sacco, son Nov. 27, Mr. & Mrs. Edward S.

Mead, son Dec. 3, Mr. & Mrs. William Harris,

1959 Social Security

Continued from page 1 tial benefits when they reach 50 years of age. Benefits for the wives and children of disabled persons are vided for the first time and eligibility for disability benefits have been eased somewhat.

For additional information on benefits, a Social Security representa-tive is at the local Post Office from 12 P.M. to 3 P.M. every Monday. Or write to your local Social Security Administration Office at 184 North Street, Pittsfield, Mass., or call Pittsfield, Hillcrest 4-4582.

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ST. JOSEPH CAPTAIN BILL DYSON



ADAMS CAPTAIN FRANK ZOLTEK



WILLIAMSTOWN CAPTAIN
PETE WINTON



WILLIAMS CAPTAIN
PETE WILMOTT

Local High School Basketball

The Northern Berkshire Inter-scholastic Basketball League will open its schedule January 2 and, once again, seven teams will compete in the forty-two game schedule. All games are played on week nights with the closing game scheduled for February

Pittsfield High will defend both its league and county title under their newly appointed coach, Frank Moynahan

The outlook for the local school teams show that both Adams and Williamstown will be rebuilding, while Drury and St. Joseph have some veterans returning.

Drury once again under the leadership of Coach Nick DelNegro should be considered a serious threat to de-throne Pittsfield. As a nucleus, Coach Del Negro has two prolific scorers in Joe Girardi and Al Davine. Height will not be lacking, and Art Beacon along with the above mentioned are excellent rebound men. Rounding out the squad is Dick Doran and Archie Wright, veterans from last year, plus some excellent material coming up from last year's fine jayvee squad.

St. Joseph, coached by Frank Matranga, will have four of their five combination of last starting year's well-trained squad returning. Led by Captain Bill Dyson, who has excelled highly the past three years.

ONE OF NASTC'S GAME CAPTAINS PAUL FARMER

St. Joseph will have plenty of ability, but will lack height and depth. One can be sure that they will have a scrappy team with the desire to win and can well be the league dark-

Both Adams, coached by Chet Zabek, and Williamstown, coached by Fran Cardillo, have only one or two veterans returning. Both are faced with the task of rebuilding. Coach Cardillo states that his charges lack height and depth. He realizes that his team will have some difficulty against large schools, but firmly believes his squad could more than hold their wn against schools the same size as Williamstown.

Local College Basketball

North Adams State Teachers College is looking forward to a banner season as Coach Hy Patashnick has a veteran-studded team. Lost by graduation was Arme Busold, top team scorer, but Coach Patashnick can rely on any one of his starting five for scoring strength and at any time can insert reserves without fear.

Defensively, the local professors vill be led by Joe Zavattaro and Paul Farmer, two great rebound men, and Coach Patashnick can count on them as well as Fred Lefave and George St. Pierre for the scoring punch he needs.

Little Danny Foster, a former high school star, is one who can set up plays and keep his team hustling with his dazzling passing.

The Williams College basketball squad, coached by Al Shaw and cap-tained by Pete Wilmott, look forward to a promising season and to better its 9-11 record of a year ago. Williams lost only one man by graduation, and the returning veterans plus some fine sophomore prospects should provide the Ephmen with a talented squad.

Jeff Morton should be the man to watch. This is his fourth season of basketball at Williams and for the past two years was their top scorer. Last year he scored 440 points for an average of 22.0 points per game.

FOR JANUARY HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

- 1, Adeline Segala
- Agnes Rivers 1. Rose Covne
- Cora Morandi 2. Raymond Bass
- Zita Pedrin
- 6. Lucille Mineau
- 6, Masie Foley William Schink
- 8, Janice Trozzi
- Marilyn Soha 8, Mary Patrie
- 9. Samuel Miller
- 11, Alfred Bourdon 12, Shirley Noring 13, Ann Archambault
- 15, John Bradley
- 15, Alice Marcoux
- 16, Bertha Moreau 17, Valida Kleiner
- 17, Pearl Dubreuil
- 19, Barbara Tash
- 19, Eleanor Pelletier
- 20. Catherine Dickie 21, Dorothy Buzzell
- 23. Florence Carsno
- 23, Rita Fountain 25, Mary Gardzina
- Laura Skowron
- 26. Guido Libardoni 26, William Delisle
- 30. Mabel O'Grady
- 30, Mary Konieczny
- 30. Henry Anderson
- 30, Lettie Perra
- 30, Lucy Crandall 31, Reginald Rowett
- 31, Stanley Oslizlo



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